

**Website with answers to Spanish advising questions:**

Some of your advising questions are answered on the Spanish Program webpage:

<http://liberalarts.vt.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/spanish-major.html>. Please read this information before contacting a Spanish advisor.

**Advising support**

If you are interested in a Spanish major or minor or the Language & Culture for the Practice of Science Pathways minor; or if you are already enrolled in one of these programs and have questions, please contact **Caitlin Cook**, academic advisor for Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures. Schedule an appointment in Navigate: <https://vt.campus.eab.com/pal/ies-3WNAjo>. Email: [ccook18@vt.edu](mailto:ccook18@vt.edu)

**Information to give your Spanish advisor:**

- 1) How many years of Spanish you took in high school and the grades you earned;
- 2) Any AP or IB Diploma exam scores you got from high school (VT does not give credit for the IB certificate, only the IB diploma);
- 3) Any Spanish classes you took at other colleges and the grades you earned;
- 4) Any Spanish classes you have already taken at VT;
- 5) How long it has been since you took a Spanish class;
- 6) Any extended live-abroad experience you have had in a Spanish-speaking country;
- 7) Whether Spanish is going to be your major, your minor, the language for your International Studies major, or an elective;
- 8) What semester you plan to graduate.

**How to declare a Spanish major/minor or the Language & Culture for the Practice of Science Pathways minor:**

Priority for adding and force adding Spanish classes is given to Spanish majors and minors, so declare it as soon as possible.

- If you would like to declare Spanish as a primary major, you may do so via Hokie Spa during the prescribed dates: [https://www.registrar.vt.edu/dates-deadlines/Change\\_of\\_Major\\_Dates.html](https://www.registrar.vt.edu/dates-deadlines/Change_of_Major_Dates.html). Outside of those official change-of-major dates and as long as you are already a student in CLAHS, you may contact Caitlin Cook ([ccook18@vt.edu](mailto:ccook18@vt.edu)) in the Dean's office, who will assist you in adding Spanish as your primary major.
- If you are interested in declaring Spanish as a secondary major or a minor or if you are interested in declaring the Language & Culture for the Practice of Science Pathways minor, please fill out the appropriate form that is available at <https://liberalarts.vt.edu/forms.html>.
  - To add a minor, click "Change of Minor (DocuSign)" and then the "**Request to Change Minor(s)**" link.
  - To add a major, click "Change of Secondary Major (DocuSign)" and then the "**Request to Change Second Major**" link.
- Within a couple of weeks of completing the form, you should receive a welcome message through Navigate from Caitlin Cook. If you do not receive a welcome message within a couple of weeks, you can email Caitlin Cook ([ccook18@vt.edu](mailto:ccook18@vt.edu)) to ask.